PLANT FACT SHEET

Dioscorea amazonum Mart. ex Griseb.

GENUS *Dioscorea* **FAMILY** Dioscoreaceae

COMMON NAMES Cara

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Tuber, Root

DESCRIPTION

A yam. The leaves are heart shaped.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in wet sandy places.

NOTES

There are about 650 species of Dioscorea.

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